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SMALL GRAIN SIZE, CONFORMAL ALUMINUM INTERCONNECTS AND METHOD FOR THEIR FORMATION

(New) A transistor with an interconnect via, defined by a surface substantially free of voids, comprising:

an interconnect of sificon oxide or borophososilicate glass that defines a semiconductor structure that defines an inteconnect via comprising an active region of a transistor;

a titanium nitride film on the semiconductor structure;

a second titanium nitride film having a polycrystalline orientation that overlays the titanium nitride film; and

an interconnect overlaying the second titanium nitride film, the interconnect comprising alyminum.

- 40. (New) The transistor of claim 39 wherein the via has a high aspect ratio.
- 41. (New) The transistor of claim 40 wherein the aspect ratio is greater than about 5:1.
- 42. (New) The transistor of claim 40 wherein the aspect ratio is about 8:1.
- 43. (New) The transistor of claim 40 wherein the thickness of the second titanium nitride film is about 100 to 200 angstroms for a 0.25 micron interconnect via.
- 44. (New) The transistor of claim 40 wherein the thickness of the aluminum interconnect is about 2000 to 3000 angstroms.

(New) An integrated circuit with an interconnect structure, the integrated circuit comprising:

a first layer of titanium nitride;

an aluminum film;

a second layer of titanium nitride between the first layer of titanium nitride and the aluminum film, wherein the film has a small grain size.

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- 46. (New) The integrated circuit of claim 45 wherein the first and second layers of titanium nitride each have a thickness of about 100 to 200 angstroms.
- 47. (New) The integrated circuit of claim 45, wherein the first layer of titanium nitride is amorphous.
- 48. (New) The integrated circuit of claim 45, wherein the second layer of titanium nitride is polycrystalline.
- 49. (New) The integrated circuit of claim 45, wherein the second layer of titanium nitride has a mixed crystalline orientation, such that a crystal orientation of an aluminum grain is selected from the group consisting of: <111> and <200>.
- 50. (New) The integrated circuit of claim 45 wherein the aluminum film has a thickness of about 2000 to 3000 angstroms.
- 51. (New) The integrated circuit of claim 45 wherein the aluminum film has a polycrystalline grain structure.
- 52. (New) The integrated circuit of claim 45, wherein the aluminum film has a grain size of less than about 0.25 microns.